

TRANSCRIPT: "Hattiesburg is Home"

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If you're traveling through the country
Down Mississippi way,
You may find the greatest city
Of the entire U.S.A.

Where people hang out welcome signs
And greet you with a smile
Invite you in for dinner and to
Visit for a while.

The Southern Hospitality
Is comforting and warm
In the city we call Hattiesburg
Chock full of Southern Charm.

Serene, wrapped in magnolias
With tall pines that kiss the sky,
Children play in safety and
Enjoy the Family Y.

We're proud to be from Hattiesburg
Where young and old blend well
Children listen with delight
To stories seniors tell.

The home folks still believe in love
And aren't afraid to show
Appreciation with a hug
When letting someone know

The world may be in conflict
Where people live in fear,
Sadness, disbelief and pain
Reach every human ear.

Cities clash, tears are shed
Hope and peace are jarred
Things that we hold precious
May be trampled, lost or marred

Yet close to every human heart
'Midst chaos and alarm
Is our dear, beloved Hattiesburg
Where we feel safe from harm

And those who've come to know her
Can relate the solace there,
The city with arms open wide
To people everywhere

So is it any wonder
When visitors venture in,
They get that "special feeling"
Which brings them back again?

And when retirement time draws near
Memories they can't erase
For welcome, friendships, happiness,
Hattiesburg's the place!

Hattiesburg, we love you and
Wherever we may roam
Ore land and sea, around the world
Hattiesburg is home!